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Excellency,

I have the honour to enclose a copy of the Croatian statement on the recent nuclear tests conducted by Pakistan.

I would highly appreciate it if the Secretariat could circulate the statement to all member states.

Please, accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Croatia on the recent nuclear tests conducted by Pakistan

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Croatia deeply regrets the deplorable decision of the Pakistani Government to conduct the tests. We are most concerned about the negative consequences of this action in regards to the regional and global stability, and the credibility of the overall nuclear non-proliferation regime.

We strongly appeal to the Pakistani Government, as we did to the Indian Government two weeks before, to immediately desist from all nuclear weapons activities and help prevent the growing nuclear arms race in the region. We urge the Pakistani Government to join the vast majority of the states in acceding to the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT) and to, thereby, work for the world free of the nuclear threat.